Marked-Up Version of Amended Claims:

- 9. (Once Amended) A method as in claim [9] 8, wherein the step (a) of associating
- 2 shorthand links comprises the steps of:
- 3 i) creating a list of files at said remotely connected location; and
- 4 ii) selecting and associating an unused key with each listed file.

Marked-Up Version of Replacement Paragraph (page 6 line 17)

Figure 2 shows a flow diagram 120 of the steps in registering URLs with the server according to the preferred embodiment of the present invention. First, in step 122, the server receives a request from a site owner or, from any web user, to register one or more URLs.

Then for each URL, in step 124, the server selects an unused key or shorthand code.

Preferably, keys are selected to be as short as is practicable, without being exposed to accidental discovery or to correct, automatically, erroneous entries. With this goal, keys are selected to be sufficiently different from each other such that a number of single character changes are necessary to convert one key to another one. [Error correction is effected when an erroneous key is entered, but the error is identifiable, i.e., the key is] In step 126, the unused key is entered into the registry database 108 as corresponding to one of the URLs.

Also, these short keys may be embedded as hyperlinks in web pages, included in e-mail, and stored in devices with limited storage such as a PDA.